



Health Care Availability and Accessibility Committee

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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 649

2 AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_. Amend House Bill 649 by replacing  
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Emergency Medical Treatment Act is amended  
5 by changing Section 1 as follows:

6 (210 ILCS 70/1) (from Ch. 111 1/2, par. 6151)

7 Sec. 1. No hospital, physician, dentist or other provider  
8 of professional health care licensed under the laws of this  
9 State may refuse to provide needed emergency treatment to any  
10 person whose life would be threatened in the absence of such  
11 treatment, because of that person's inability to pay therefor,  
12 nor because of the source of any payment promised therefor.  
13 Every hospital licensed under the Hospital Licensing Act shall  
14 comply with the Hospital Emergency Service Act.

15 (Source: P.A. 83-723.)

1           Section 10. The Hospital Emergency Service Act is amended  
2 by changing Section 1 as follows:

3           (210 ILCS 80/1) (from Ch. 111 1/2, par. 86)

4           Sec. 1. Every hospital required to be licensed by the  
5 Department of Public Health pursuant to the Hospital Licensing  
6 Act which provides general medical and surgical hospital  
7 services shall provide a hospital emergency service in  
8 accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the Department  
9 of Public Health which shall be consistent with the federal  
10 Emergency Medical Treatment and Active Labor Act (42 U.S.C.  
11 1395dd) and ~~shall furnish such hospital emergency services to~~  
12 ~~any applicant who applies for the same in case of injury or~~  
13 ~~acute medical condition where the same is liable to cause death~~  
14 ~~or severe injury or serious illness. For purposes of this Act,~~  
15 ~~"applicant" includes any person who is brought to a hospital by~~  
16 ~~ambulance or specialized emergency medical services vehicle as~~  
17 ~~defined in~~ the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Systems Act.

18           (Source: P.A. 86-1461.)

19           Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
20 becoming law."